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Summary statement by the Secretary-General on matters of which the Security Council is seized and on the stage reached in their consideration

Addendum

Pursuant to rule 11 of the provisional rules of procedure of the Security Council, the Secretary-General is submitting the following summary statement.

The list of items of which the Security Council is seized is contained in documents S/2004/20 of 14 February 2004, S/2004/20/Add.4 of 5 March 2004, S/2004/20/Add.12 of 7 May 2004 and S/2004/20/Add.15 of 28 May 2004.

During the week ending 24 April 2004, the Security Council took action on the following items:

The situation in the Middle East, including the Palestinian question (*see* S/2000/40/Add.39, 44, 46, 47 and 50; S/2001/15/Add.11-13, 34 and 50; S/2002/30/Add.7, 8, 10, 12-15, 17, 23, 24, 28, 29, 37, 38, 45 and 50; S/2003/40/Add.2, 6, 11, 15, 20, 23, 28, 33, 37, 41, 42, 46 and 49; and S/2004/20/Add.2, 7, 11 and 12; *see also* S/7382, S/7441, S/7452, S/7564, S/7570, S/7596, S/7600, S/7913, S/7923, S/7976, S/8000, S/8048, S/8066, S/8215, S/8242, S/8252, S/8269, S/8502, S/8525, S/8534, S/8564, S/8575, S/8584, S/8595, S/8747, S/8753, S/8807, S/8815, S/8828, S/8836, S/8885, S/8896, S/8960, S/9123, S/9135, S/9319, S/9382, S/9395, S/9406, S/9427 and Corr.1, S/9449, S/9452, S/9805, S/9812, S/9930, S/10327, S/10341, S/10554, S/10557, S/10703, S/10721, S/10729, S/10743, S/10770/Add.4, S/10855/Add.15, 16, 23, 24, 29, 30, 33, 41, 43, 44 and 50; S/11185/Add.14-16, 21, 42/Rev.1 and 47; S/11593/Add.15, 21, 29, 42 and 49; S/11935/Add.2-4, 12, 18-21, 23-26, 42, 44, 45 and 48; S/12269/Add.12, 13, 21, 42, 43 and 48; S/12520/Add.10, 11, 17, 21, 37, 39, 42, 47 and 48; S/13033/Add.2, 9-11, 16, 19, 21, 23, 25, 28, 29, 33, 34, 47 and 50; S/13737/Add.7, 8, 13-18, 20-22, 24-26, 33, 47 and 50; S/14326/Add.10, 11, 20, 24, 28, 29, 47 and 50; S/14840/Add.1-4, 8, 12, 13, 15, 16, 21-25, 27, 30-33, 37, 42, 45 and 48; S/15560/Add.3, 6, 7, 20, 21, 29-31, 37, 42, 45, 47 and 48; S/16270/Add.6-8, 15, 20, 21, 34, 35, 40 and 47; S/16880/Add.8-10, 15, 20, 21, 36, 40, 41 and 46; S/17725/Add.2-4, 15, 21, 28, 35, 38, 43 and 47-49; S/18570/Add.2, 21, 30, 47 and 49-51; S/19420/Add.1-5, 13, 15, 18, 19, 22 and Corr.1, 30, 48 and 50; S/20370/Add.4-6, 12, 16, 21, 22, 26, 30, 32, 34, 37, 44, 46, 47 and 51; S/21100/Add.4, 10, 12, 17, 20, 21, 30, 39, 40, 42, 44, 45, and 47-50; S/22110/Add.4, 12, 20, 21, 30 and 47; S/23370/Add.1, 4, 7, 13, 21, 30, 47 and 50; S/25070/Add.4, 21, 30 and 48; S/1994/20/Add.3, 8, 10, 20, 29 and 47;

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S/1995/40/Add.4, 8, 18, 19, 21, 29 and 47; S/1996/15/Add.4, 15, 21, 30, 38 and 47; S/1997/40/Add.4, 9, 11, 21, 30 and 46; S/1998/44/Add.4, 21, 26, 28, 30 and 47; S/1999/25/Add.3, 20, 29 and 46; S/2000/40/Add.4,15, 20, 21, 24, 29 and 47; S/2001/15/Add.5, 22, 31 and 48; S/2002/30/Add.4, 21, 30 and 50; S/2003/40/Add.4, 25, 30, 40 and 51; and S/2004/20/Add.4)

By a letter dated 19 April 2004 addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/2004/303), the Permanent Representative of Egypt to the United Nations, in his capacity as the Chairman of the Group of Arab States for the month of April 2004, and on behalf of the States members of the League of Arab States, requested that an immediate meeting of the Security Council be convened "to consider Israel's grave violations of international humanitarian law, the most recent of which is the extrajudicial execution of Dr. Abdel Aziz al-Kantisi in Gaza, and the escalation of its military attacks against the Palestinian people and their leadership, and to take the necessary measures in this regard".

The Security Council resumed its consideration of the item at its 4945th meeting, held on 19 April 2004 in response to the above request.

The President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representatives of Bahrain, Cuba, Egypt, India, Indonesia, Ireland, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Israel, Japan, Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Malaysia, Mauritania, Morocco, Norway, Saudi Arabia, South Africa, the Sudan, the Syrian Arab Republic, Tunisia, the United Arab Emirates and Yemen, at their request, to participate in the discussion without the right to vote.

In response to the request contained in a letter dated 19 April 2004 from the Permanent Observer of Palestine to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/2004/305), the President, in accordance with the rules of procedure and the previous practice in that regard, invited the Permanent Observer of Palestine to participate in the discussion.

In response to the request contained in a letter dated 19 April 2004 from the Permanent Representative of Algeria to the United Nations (S/2004/306), the President, with the consent of the Council, extended an invitation under rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure to Yahya Mahmassani, Permanent Observer of the League of Arab States to the United Nations.

In response to the request contained in a letter dated 19 April 2004 from the Chairman of the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People, the President extended an invitation under rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure to Paul Badji, Chairman of the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People.

The Security Council resumed its consideration of the item at its 4951st meeting, held on 23 April 2004 in accordance with the understanding reached in its prior consultations.

In accordance with the understanding reached in the Council's prior consultations, the President, with the consent of the Council, extended an invitation under rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure to Terje Roed-Larsen, Special Coordinator for the Middle East Peace Process and Personal Representative of the Secretary-General.

The situation between Iraq and Kuwait (*see* S/21100/Add.30-33, 36-38, 42, 43 and 47; S/22110/Add.6-9, 13, 14, 17, 20, 24, 25, 32, 37 and 40; S/23370/Add.8, 11, 28, 34 and 39; S/25070/Add.1, 2, 5, 21, 24 and Corr.1, 26 and 47; S/1994/20/Add.8, 39-41 and 45; S/1995/40/Add.14; S/1996/15/Add.11, 12, 23 and 33; S/1997/40/Add.15, 22-24, 36, 42, 43, 45, 48 and 51; S/1998/44/Add.2, 7, 9, 12, 19, 24, 36, 44, 47 and 50; S/1999/25/Add.19, 39, 45 and 47-49; S/2000/40/Add.11, 12, 22 and 48; S/2001/15/Add.22, 26, 27 and 48; S/2002/30/Add.19, 41, 44, 47 and 48; S/2003/40 and Add.4-7, 9-12, 16, 20, 22, 26, 29, 32, 33, 41, 43, 46, 47 and 50; and S/2004/20/Add.3, 8, 12 and 15; *see also* S/23370/Add.10, 32, 35 and 47; S/2001/15/Add.49; S/2002/30/Add.39; and S/2003/40/Add.13, 20 and 26)

The Security Council resumed its consideration of the item at its 4946th meeting, held on 21 April 2004 in accordance with the understanding reached in its prior consultations.

The President drew attention to a draft resolution (S/2004/311) submitted by France, Germany, Spain, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the United States of America.

The Security Council proceeded to vote on draft resolution S/2004/311, and adopted it unanimously as resolution 1538 (2004) (for the text, see S/RES/1538 (2004); to be issued in *Official Records of the Security Council, Resolutions and Decisions of the Security Council, 1 August 2003-31 July 2004*).

The situation in Cyprus (*see* S/11185/Add.28, 29, 32, 34 and 49; S/11593/Add.7-10, 23, 24 and 49; S/11935/Add.23, 24 and 50; S/12269/Add.24, 35-37 and 50; S/12520/Add.23, 45, 47 and 49; S/13033/Add.23 and 49; S/13737/Add.23 and 49; S/14326/Add.22 and 50; S/14840/Add.24 and 50; S/15560/Add.24, 46 and 50; S/16270/Add.17, 18, 23 and 49; S/16880/Add.23, 37 and 49; S/17725/Add.23 and 49; S/18570/Add.23 and 50; S/19420/Add.24 and 50; S/20370/Add.22 and 49; S/21100/Add.10, 23, 28, 49 and 50; S/22110/Add.23, 40, 49 and 51; S/23370/Add.14, 23, 28, 34, 47 and 50; S/25070/Add.19, 21, 23 and 50; S/1994/20/Add.9, 23, 29 and 50; S/1995/40/Add.24 and 50; S/1996/15/Add.25 and 51; S/1997/40/Add.25 and 51; S/1998/44/Add.26 and 51; S/1999/25/Add.25 and 49; S/2000/40/Add.23 and 49; S/2001/15/Add.24 and 50; S/2002/30/Add.23, 39 and 47; S/2003/40/Add.14, 15, 23 and 47; and S/2004/20/Add.13; *see also* S/2001/15/Add.49; S/2002/30/Add.22 and 46; and S/2003/40/Add.22 and 46)

The Security Council resumed its consideration of the item at its 4947th meeting, held on 21 April 2004 in accordance with the understanding reached in its prior consultations, having before it the report of the Secretary-General on Cyprus (S/2004/302).

The President drew attention to a draft resolution (S/2004/313) submitted by the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the United States of America.

The Security Council proceeded to vote on draft resolution S/2004/313, which received 14 votes in favour (Algeria, Angola, Benin, Brazil, Chile, China, France, Germany, Pakistan, Philippines, Romania, Spain, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America), one against (Russian Federation), and no abstentions, and was not adopted, owing to the negative vote of a permanent member of the Council.

Children and armed conflict (*see* S/1998/44/Add.26; S/1999/25/Add.33; S/2000/40/Add.29 and 31; S/2001/15/Add.47; S/2002/30/Add.18; S/2003/40/Add.2 and 4; and S/2004/20/Add.3)

The Security Council resumed its consideration of the item at its 4948th meeting, held on 22 April 2004 in accordance with the understanding reached in its prior consultations, having before it the report of the Secretary-General on children and armed conflict (S/2003/1053 and Corr.1 and 2).

The President drew attention to a draft resolution (S/2004/314) that had been prepared in the course of the Council's prior consultations.

The Security Council proceeded to vote on draft resolution S/2004/314, and adopted it unanimously as resolution 1539 (2004) (for the text, see S/RES/1539 (2004); to be issued in *Official Records of the Security Council, Resolutions and Decisions of the Security Council, 1 August 2003-31 July 2004*).

Decision of the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya to abandon its weapons of mass destruction programmes

The Security Council met to consider the item at its 4949th meeting, held on 22 April 2004 in accordance with the understanding reached in its prior consultations.

The President stated that, following consultations of the Council, he had been authorized to make a statement on behalf of the Council and read out the text of that statement (for the text, see S/PRST/2004/10; to be issued in *Official Records of the Security Council, Resolutions and Decisions of the Security Council, 1 August 2003-31 July 2004*).

Non-proliferation of weapons of mass destruction

The Security Council met to consider the item at its 4950th meeting, held on 22 April 2004 in accordance with the understanding reached in its prior consultations. There was one suspension and one resumption of the meeting.

The President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representatives of Albania, Argentina, Australia, Austria, Belarus, Canada, Cuba, Egypt, India, Indonesia, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Ireland, Israel, Japan, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Kuwait, Liechtenstein, Lebanon, Malaysia, Mexico, Namibia, Nepal, New Zealand, Nicaragua, Nigeria, Norway, Peru, the Republic of Korea, Singapore, South Africa, Sweden, Switzerland, the Syrian Arab Republic, Tajikistan and Thailand, at their request, to participate in the discussion without the right to vote.